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SUBJ: ROK CABINET CHANGES

1. PRESIDENT PARK ANNOUNCED EXTENSIVE CABINET CHANGES MORNING DECEMBER 3. TEN NEW CABINET MINISTERS WERE NAMED AS WELL AS DIRECTOR ROK/CIA, PROSECUTOR GENERAL, AND AMBASSADORS TO WASHINGTON AND TOKYO. EARLIER SAME DAY PRIME MINISTER KIM CHONG-PIL HAD DELIVERED RESIGNATIONS ENTIRE CABINET TO BLUE HOUSE. THE REASON GIVEN FOR OFFER OF RESIGNATIONS WAS TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR RECENT SERIES OF INTERNAL EVENTS. NEW APPOINTMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS: PRESENT POSITION IN PARENTHESIS:

FOREIGN AFFAIRS: KIM DONG-CHO (AMBASSADOR TO U.S.)

HOME AFFAIRS: HONG SONG-CHOL (PRESIDENTIAL SENIOR SECRETARY POLITICAL AFFAIRS)

JUSTICE: YI PONG-SONG (PROSECUTOR GENERAL)

DEFENSE: SO CHONG-CHOL (SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT FOR DEFENSE AFFAIRS)

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY: CHANG YE-CHUN (MINISTER OF CONSTRUCTION)

CONSTRUCTION: YI NAK-SON (MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY)

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HEALTH AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS: KO CHAE-PHIL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLYMAN

--YUCHONG-HOE)

COMMUNICATIONS: MUN HYONG-TAE (NATIONAL ASSEMBLYMAN--
DRP; FORMER CHAIRMAN JCS)

GOVERNMENT AND ADMINISTRATION: SIM HUNG-SON
(AMBASSADOR TO SPAIN)

UNIFICATION BOARD: KIM YONG-SHIK (FOREIGN MINISTER)

2. NON-CABINET APPOINTMENTS ARE:

DIRECTOR CIA: SIN CHIK-SU (JUSTICE MINISTER)

PROSECUTOR GENERAL: KIM CHI-YOL (DEPUTY DIRECTOR CIA)

AMBASSADOR TO UNITED STATES: HAM PYONG-CHUN (SPECIAL

ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS)

AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN: KIM YONG-SON (MINISTER UNIFICATION BOARD)

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